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**CHIANG ANNOUNCES FREE TAX SEMINAR FOR NONPROFIT AND
EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS IN THE CALABASAS AREA**

At this time of tight budgets across the state, non-profit organizations play an invaluable role providing essential services to Californians. To help in this effort, John Chiang, Chair of the California State Board of Equalization (BOE), is sponsoring a free one-day tax seminar Friday, February 24, for non-profit organizations in Calabasas and surrounding communities.

“Budget shortfalls impact public education, transportation, shelter, food for needy families and other critical services,” said Chiang. “Our communities are dependent on non-profits to fill the void. This seminar provides non-profits with the access, tools and knowledge to continue to build stronger community organizations.”

Since he was first elected to the BOE in 1998, Chiang has sponsored more than 40 tax seminars for non-profits throughout his district, which includes Los Angeles and 72 other cities in Los Angeles County.

Chiang encourages those involved with nonprofit and exempt organizations to attend and learn how tax laws and reporting requirements affect their operations. Topics will include property tax exemption, payroll taxes, sales taxes, raffle laws and other relevant tax laws for nonprofit organizations.

Experts from the BOE, the Employment Development Department, the Franchise Tax Board, and the Attorney General's Office will be on hand to assist attendees.

Date: Friday, February 24, 2006
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (check-in begins at 8:30 a.m.)
Place: Agoura Hills/Calabasas Community Center
Calabasas Room
27040 Malibu Hills Road
Calabasas, CA

Congressmen Howard Berman, Brad Sherman, and Henry Waxman are co-hosts for this event.

Registration is available online at www.boe.ca.gov/sutax/nonprofitsched.htm
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